

PUTER ON STAND
IN HERMANN CASE

Advised Loomis to Throw
Himself on Court's
Mercy.

Always Called on Hermann
When He Came to
Town.

Had Letters at Home in His
Desk From Former
Congressman.

More interest was manifested in the Hermann trial today than at any time in the past three weeks, because of the testimony of S. A. D. Puter, of Oregon, who is regarded as a star witness for the Government. Puter was convicted of land frauds in Oregon, and the defendant, former Congressman Binger Hermann, was a witness in the case at the time. Continuing his testimony Puter told of giving Dr. Clark E. Loomis \$500 for making a favorable report on his witness, claims. He advised Dr. Loomis to tell all he knew to Henry, of Government counsel, and to throw himself on the mercy of the court. Puter said he did not tell Dr. Loomis that he had any authority to offer him immunity. The district attorney brought out that the witness and Hermann had corresponded about the Cascade Forest Reserve. Witness said one of the letters he received from Hermann was written by the commissioner in his own handwriting, and the other was a type-written letter. He left all of his letters in his desk at his home in Berkeley, Cal.

Lands Worthless at First.

Speaking of his holdings in the Cascade reserve, Puter said the lands were worthless, but after they were covered in they became valuable, as he would exchange them for scrip while allowed him to take any public land in Oregon worth \$5.00 per acre. Referring to a question from District Attorney Baker, witness told in detail of several conversations with F. P. Mays, of Portland, about the Blue Mountain forest reserve deal. Mays told him it was a big thing, and witness said he told Mays that he would put up his share. The scheme of establishing the Blue Mountain reserve was explained to him by Mays, said the witness. He also detailed conversations with Tarpley and McKinley, who were held up for a part of their holdings by Mays. He tried to compromise the matter.

Always Called on Hermann.

On cross-examination by Attorney Worthington for the defense, witness said he visited Washington a number of times in the years 1900, 1901, 1902, and 1903, and that he always called on Commissioner Hermann. Sometimes, said witness, he would arrive in the morning and leave in the evening for New York. He had stopped at the Raleigh, New Willam, Metropolitan, and St. James, and on several occasions at a private boarding house. He did not always register; he had several times registered under an assumed name because he did not care to have certain parties know of his presence in the city.

Gave Thousand-Dollar Bills.

In his testimony at the afternoon session yesterday Stephen A. D. Puter, who is serving a two years' sentence in the Multnomah county, Ore., jail for complicity in the land frauds, told with much detail the methods employed in securing the issuance of the patents to what are known as the "eleven-seven" frauds in Oregon. They were the twelve Puter homesteads in the Cascade forest reserve.

To secure the patents, Puter said he gave the late Senator Mitchell, at the Dewey Hotel in this city, two thousand-dollar bills. But this money was not paid the Senator until after Hermann had informed the witness that it would be necessary to get additional proof before the patents for the twelve homesteads could be issued.

It was then that Puter, called on Senator Mitchell and said it would be useless to return to Oregon and get more proof, as his witnesses were scattered. After Mitchell took the money witness said he was informed that Mitchell would do what he could. And when Puter saw Hermann a day later Hermann said he had discussed the matter with Mitchell and that the patents would be issued. Puter is regarded as the strongest witness for the Government.

POTOMAC RETURNS
TO PROPER LEVEL

After a rather strenuous ten days, during while the rise of sixteen feet was recorded, the Potomac has practically subsided and measurements at the ferry today indicated a rise of only two feet above the usual level. The damage to property in this immediate section seems to have been confined to Culpeper and low lands in that vicinity. Washington proper suffering no inconvenience on account of the high waters except slight delays in the schedules of river boats on regular runs. These, however, did not seriously interfere with travel.

HEN THIEF IS BUSY

The chicken thief who has been operating in the Bloomingdale section, got unusually bold last night and visited the coop in the rear of Assistant District Attorney John F. Weywick's residence, 1825 Lincoln avenue northeast, and robbed it of twenty-nine white blooded legions.

RURAL MAIL INSTRUCTIONS.

It is expected that within the next sixty days the regulations and instructions pertaining to the Rural Delivery Service will be issued and distributed in pamphlet form to postmasters and carriers. The copy is now in the hands of the Public Printer.

TRY TO STEAL
WEDDING GIFTS
IN ALEXANDRIA

Harrison Kirk's Son Fires
Two Shots at
Robbers.

WASHINGTON TIMES BUREAU,
ALEXANDRIA, VA., MARCH 21.
Thieves, about 1:30 o'clock last night, attempted the robbery of the house of Harrison Kirk, in North Columbus street, with the evident intention of stealing the handsome wedding presents given to the daughter of Mr. Kirk, who was married a few nights ago. They were forcing an entrance into the house by trying to pry off the slats of a blind on a rear window when they were discovered by Harry D. Kirk, son of Harrison Kirk, who secured his pistol and, going to a nearby window, fired two shots at the robbers. The noise of the shots frightened the thieves, who made off in the darkness. No clue was left on which the police can work.

Percy S. Foster, of Washington, will deliver an address before a men's mass meeting at the Second Presbyterian Church next Sunday. He will take for his subject, "Hallelujahs Crystallized Into Work."

The funeral of Mrs. A. DeK. Shattuck will be held from her home, 514 Prince street, tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. The interment will be made in the Second Presbyterian Cemetery.

Chief Petty, of the Alexandria fire department, yesterday entertained the following chiefs, who have been in attendance at the meeting of the International Fire Association in Washington: Belt, of Washington; Horton, of Baltimore; McGee, of Roanoke; Tyson, of Louisville, Ky.; Hancy, of Jacksonville, Fla.; Magle, of Dallas, Tex., and Kellogg, of Sioux City, Iowa.

"NO LAMP FOR YOU
BUT NINETY DAYS"

"You do not need a lamp to guide your footsteps through this wicked world. You have two good lamps in your head so you do not need another here. I can see no excuse for you, Ninety days."

This was handed to James Thomas, colored, by Judge Mulowny this morning when the former was brought before him charged with the theft of a hanging lamp from one of the passenger cars of the Southern railway. The railway company was represented by Adolph Spence, who testified to the guilt of the prisoner. James had no adequate explanation to give concerning the affair.

EXPERTS REPORT LOSS
IN CHICAGO TREASURY

Four of the five experts sent by the Treasury Department to Chicago to count the money and go over the accounts of the subtreasury in that city, returned to Washington today and filed their report with Secretary Cortelyou. It is understood that they found the shortage to be in the neighborhood of the Chicago figures estimated by the Secretary Cortelyou declines to discuss the report at this time.

ALL THE LAND
LAYS CLAIM TO
THE BEAUTY

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supple lines, for she is tall, with fine poise and carriage, superb in outlines of form.

The Denver Post can see only one side to the contest, as follows:

"Pretty women! More of them grow and live and thrive in the pure mountain air of Colorado than anywhere else in the known world. This is a cliché. Beautiful flowers! Yes, all flowers are sweeter and more beautifully colored in Colorado than anywhere else in the world. The Post challenges all the world that it will produce a Colorado woman who will be the perfection of feminine, dainty beauty and sweetness. Just wait until our Colorado beauty comes on the stage."

New England's Boast.

In Boston, whose contest will be judged by three men, one of whom is a son of the familiar Washington figure, Dr. Edward Everett Hale, the Herald makes no statement.

"That New England women are the most beautiful in the world, every New Englander, and everybody outside of New England who knows these States at all, will readily admit."

"One young gentleman who lives in West Somerville says in his letter this beauty contest is the finest thing in the world, and expresses the firm conviction that 'New England girls have the rest of the world 'skunked' a mile. He is only fifteen years of age, which may account for his Chaucerian mode of expression."

And so the running fire of comment and assurance goes on continually in every part of the country.

The Sunday Times, while convinced that Washington will, in the end, produce the loveliest woman of them all, is satisfied to leave the matter to the judges of the weekly and the final contests and to the sober criticism of those who see the photographs of the beauties reproduced every Sunday in the columns of The Sunday Times. Next Sunday, for instance, there will be two full pages of them.

Washington Defies All.

That Washington is fighting the remainder of the nation in this struggle for the beauty supremacy is a statement which should make every man and woman in the District more determined than ever, if that be possible, to prove that in spite of the odds of population and area against her, Washington is the home of the woman who, above all others in the United States, is beautiful and charming.

In addition to \$100 offered for the photograph of the loveliest, in addition to the \$25 given each week for the prettiest photograph sent in that week, in addition to the gold watch offered to the winner by R. H. Davis & Co., and the evening wrap offered by S. Kann, Sons & Co., is civic pride, the fruit of the American's inborn love for the fame of his own city and his own people.

LIVE AND EAT TOGETHER.
COUPLE DOES NOT SPEAK

HAMILTON, Ohio, March 21.—It developed at the hearing of the suit today of Mrs. John Conrad against her husband that although they live in the same house and eat at the same table, they do not speak. They have been silent partners for five years. The wife was given \$5 a week by her husband during that time, and she cooked the meals, did the housework and performed her duties as he did his. She wanted him to let her have more money, and communicated that fact through her children. He refused and she went to court to get it. The court allowed her \$8 a week.

MUSIC AND DANCING
AT NATIONAL UNION

The National Union Club of the District gave its first entertainment and dance last evening at Typographical Temple, the affair being largely attended. Before the dancing began a varied musical program was rendered, each participant receiving merited applause. Among the numbers heard was a piano solo by Mrs. J. E. Colhazer; comic song by E. A. Lange, a duet by Miss Florence Gerardi and C. Denza, and several songs by a quintet composed of J. H. Remick, J. Lewis Scribner, W. B. Hunter, Harry A. Chick, and W. B. Gallagher. The work of this quintet was one of the hits of the evening. Miss Ross was pleasing in a recitation. The program ended with a humorous playlet entitled "Bargains," put on by Ed. Muth, Leo Russell, Misses Bessie Monaghan, Annie Pritchard, and Burke, the actors all deserving individual praise.

ABOLISHING DEATH PENALTY.

It is proposed to substitute solitary confinement during six years for the death penalty in France. No death sentence has been executed for some time.

FREDDIE COLE EASY
FOR MATTY BALDWIN

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 21.—Matty Baldwin had an easy time with Freddie Cole in last night's ten-round encounter before a record breaking crowd in the Indianapolis Athletic Club. Both the defense and offense of Matty were too fine for the local champion, and in the tenth round Cole, who had been hanging on during the last three rounds, was ready to be counted out when Referee Ryan stopped the contest to save Cole from further punishment.

FRAUD ORDER ISSUED
AGAINST HARSHA COMPANY

The Postoffice Department has issued an order forbidding H. H. Harsha and the Harsha Advertising Company from the use of the mails. Harsha is charged with inducing farmers to register with him in order to sell their farms, by advertising in his "magazine," which, he said, circulated among persons desirous of purchasing farms. Harsha got more than \$1,000 in this way, it is alleged, but sold none, or few farms.

"Mended" Kid Gloves
Regular \$1 and
\$1.50 Qualities 49c

After a fortnight's successful selling we shall wind up the balance of our purchase of "mended" Kid Gloves at 49c a pair. These are qualities which sell regularly in every store in the country at \$1.00 and \$1.50 a pair.

Because of some trivial fault discovered when being fitted to the hand, they were returned to the manufacturer. All these faults have been remedied, and the gloves are now all the better for being overhauled. In latest 2-clasp style, in black, white, tan, brown, gray, mode, etc. All sizes in the lot, but not every size of each shade. Tomorrow at 8c a pair. Regular \$1 and \$1.50 kinds.

"IT PAYS TO DEAL AT GOLDENBERG'S"

Goldenberg's
"THE DEPENDABLE STORE"
SEVENTH AND K STREETS

Big Money-savers Among Tomorrow's Remnants
\$10 and \$12 Walking Skirts at \$5.98

Yesterday's announcement of the purchase of a maker's entire surplus stock of Walking Skirts evoked the greatest amount of enthusiasm. The wonderful values offered fully justify the tremendous response. Never before have you been offered the same opportunity to buy, right at the season's start, Skirts of such fine quality and superior styling at half price and thereabouts.

While the variety is immense we advise early selection, as even in a collection such as this, there is bound to be a best choice.

The lot consists of the finest quality chiffon Panamas, fancy Check Panamas, Voiles, English Serges, black Taffeta, Embroidered Taffeta, mannish fancy striped and check Panamas, gray plaid Panamas, imported black and white plaids and stripes and fancy novelty Panamas.

A splendid collection of styles, including elegant plaited models, with slotted seam effect, trimmed with tailored folds in clusters. Here's a brief description of some of the styles:

Fancy Panama Skirts in the charming light checks and mixtures trimmed with tailored bands, extra full width around the bottom.

Box plaited black Taffeta Silk Walking Skirts, full box plaited all around, others full kilted all around in cluster plaits.

Fancy Green and Blue Check Cloth Skirts, plaited and trimmed with tailored bands.

In all the most fashionable colorings, such as every shade of gray, new shades of gray, navy blue, black and white effects, cream color, green and blue checks, gray and white effects, as well as a great number of the staple and always desirable black.

Choice offered tomorrow at \$5.98 of Skirts sold regularly at \$10.00 and \$12.00.

Muslin Underwear

86c

For lines sold up to \$1.50

These are odds and ends—few of a kind styles left from recent selling. The collection consists of Cambric, Nainsook, and Muslin Gowns, Skirts, Drawers, Corset Covers, and Chemise, trimmed with laces and embroideries. Soiled and mused from handling, but otherwise unharmed.

Silk Remnants
29c and 59c

Qualities sold up to 75c and \$1.10 yard.

An unusually attractive lot of remnants of silks offered Friday. Big spring business has created many small lots and these are included in tomorrow's sale marked at half-price and less.

Remnants of Silks, and 2c a yard, include all-stick colored taffetas, check Taffetas, check Louisiana, plaid Taffetas, black satin Liberty Foulards, colored Crepe de Chine colored, Peau de Cygne, colored Peau de Sole and colored Louisiana, in useful lengths for waists and skirts. Qualities sold up to 75c a yard.

Remnants of Silks and 5c a yard include handsome black Taffetas, 36 inches wide, 27-inch black Taffetas, black Peau de Cygne, black Peau de Cygne, Duchesse and black gros grain, high qualities, sold as high as \$1.10 a yard in regular stock. All in desirable lengths.

Remnant Lots

Upholstery Goods

Lot of manufacturer's sample strips or ends of Nottingham Lace Curtains, in 2-yard lengths. These are ends of Curtains sold up to \$1.50 a pair. To be closed out tomorrow, per yard, 12c a yard.

Opaque Window Shades, mounted on strong spring rollers. All colors. These are known as manufacturer's "seconds" because of slight marring of the lace of the cloth. Friday, 12c a yard.

Remnant Lots of Neckwear

Women's Embroidered and Lace Collar and Cuff Sets, slightly soiled from handling. Regular \$2.50 value for... 10c

Remnant lot of Chiffon Ruching, in white and colors. Sold regularly at 8c per length. Friday, at... 5c

Chiffon Polka Dot Vests, in white, black, and light blue. 36 yards long. Regular 50c value for... 29c

Women's Linen Embroidered Collars sizes 12 and 12½ only. Soiled from handling. Friday at... 10c

Remnant lot of Mesh Veiling, in white and colors. Sold regularly for vests. Regular prices, 12c and 25c a yard. Friday, per length... 5c

Tailor-made white and Arcot ties, in white and colors. Regular \$2.50 value at... 9c

Regular 12½c Hemstitched Linen Collars, size 12 only. Friday at... 5c

Men's Fixings.

Lot of men's Lisle Garters in all colors. Worth... 6½c

Men's Half Hose, in plain black and with white feet. Regular 12c value. Friday... 7½c

Men's regular 25c washable Four-in-hand Ties, in white and all colors. Friday... 12c

Men's white plaited bosom Shirts, in useful lengths. Regular 75c value for... 49c

Men's medium weight Underwear, in natural color. Shirts up to 16c a yard. Regular 75c value for... 50c

Men's regular 50c Suspenders, made with extra strong webbing and catkin ends. Regular... 29c

Handkerchiefs

Women's Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, with scalloped and hemstitched borders. Regular 12c value. Friday... 8½c

Women's linen center lace 11 in x 4 in Handkerchiefs, worth 15c each, for... 9½c

Women's white and colored border Handkerchiefs, worth 10c each, at three for... 10c

Men's white linen hemstitched Handkerchiefs, of good size, worth 12c, for... 8½c

Easter Millinery
Now at Its Readiest

This week brings out the best and most noteworthy assemblage of beautiful Hats ever known. The perfect equipment of our service—the broadness of our resources—are the outcome of unremitting effort and ambition to excel. We bid for your preference solely on the merit of our hats, and upon our ability to give you the maximum amount of style for the minimum amount of cost. The collection of Trimmed Hats furnishes such a wonderful choice that few women will need to look further.

Fine quality Hats, made of silk and hair braids, in all the best shapes, large and small, including Turbans. Colors are black, brown, light blue, champagne, and white. \$2 value for... \$1.25

A big variety of the fashionable burnt and nacre Straw Hats in all the leading mushroom and other fashionable shapes. Large and small. Value... \$1.48

Fine quality Tuscan Straw Hats, in every new shape of the season. Large and small, including hats, mushrooms, sailors, turbans, and others. Worth \$2.25 and \$2.48... \$1.48

Black Neapolitan Hats, combined with new of wide fancy brims. Choice of about 15 shapes. Including all the most approved dress shapes, both large and small, also flats. \$2.75 value at... \$1.48

Large very beautiful Sprays of Roses, with buds and fine foliage. Choice of every natural rose shade. These hand some flowers were included to retail at \$1.00. Tomorrow for... 59c

Women's Sailors

We are pleased to announce the arrival of several large lots of Sailors for women. These are made of the approved rough braids and are finished with silk bands. Prices, 48c, 50c, 55c, \$1.18, and \$2.00.

Remnants of Laces and Embroideries

Remnants of 10c and 12½c Swiss Embroidery Medallions, in several shapes. Friday, each, at... 5c

Remnants of 8c and 10c Laces, including Cluny, Point de Paris, and Medici effects, in edges and insertions. Friday, each, at... 4c

Remnant lot of extra heavy Brussels Net, 2 yards wide. In Cream only. Friday, each, at... 44c

Remnant lot of 8c and 10c Lace Medallions, in white and cream. Each, at... 43c

12-yard pieces of French Valenciennes Laces, in edges and insertions. Regular 25c value. Friday, each, at... 25c

Remnants of Embroidery Bands, sold at 25c and 30c. Each, at... 19c

Remnant lot of double edge Bands, with some of the best edge. Regular 15c value. Friday, each, at... 12½c

Usual 25c to 30c Shirtwaist Panels, in shadow work, blind and eyelet designs. Each, at... 12½c

White Goods
Remnants at Little Prices

"Mill Ends" of 30-inch White India Linen, in lengths from 2 to 8 yards. Sheer and crisp quality. Sold regularly at 12½c a yard. Friday, each, at... 6c

"Mill Ends" of 23-inch white English Madras, in stripes, checks, and plaid. Lengths from 3 to 12 yards. Regular 18c value. Friday, each, at... 12½c

Shoe Bargains

Men's \$2.00 and \$2.25 solid leather Working Shoes, of strong and durable make. All sizes. Friday, each, at... \$1.49

Children's white Canvas high and low Shoes, in lace and button styles. Sold at... 69c

Children's Shoes, Oxfords and Slippers, of black Kid and Patent Leather, also children's Kid Shoes and little boys' Box Calf Shoes. In broken sizes. Values worth up to \$1.50. Friday, each, at... 75c

Boys' Box Calf Leather Shoes, made of solid leather. Sizes 3 to 5½. Worth \$1.50 a pair. Friday, each, at... 98c

Women's \$2.50 Shoes of Kid and Patent calf leathers, in button and lace styles. Regular \$1.69 value. Friday, each, at... \$1.49

Women's Spring Weight Oxfords, with extended and light thin edge soles. Of Tan, Patent leather, and Kid-skin. Friday, each, at... \$1.49

Women's low-cut House Julietts and low Slippers, worth up to \$1.50 a pair. Friday, each, at... 98c

Women's Tan and Gray Canvas shoes with some of the best edge and tipped toes. Values worth up to \$2.50 pair. Friday, each, at... \$1.50

Lining Remnants
9c a yd.

Regular 15c and 20c Kinds

An accumulation of about \$50 yards of Lining Remnants, including Spain Glass, Navy Linings, Taffeta Linings, Mercerized Satens, Percaleines, Shadow Silk.

None of these goods is less than a yard wide.

In fast black and leading shades. These are qualities usually retailed at 15c and 20c a yard. Remnant price, 9c a yard.

Home Needs

5 Decorated Parlor Lamps, with center draft burner. All styles. Sold up to \$3.00. Friday, each, at... \$1.98

15 Venus white linen Enamel pans, in 6 and 8 qt. sizes. Sold for 60c and 80c. Friday, each, at... 39c

8 Gold-plated Clocks, fully warranted. Sold regularly at \$1.25. Reduced to... 49c

4 Decorated China Toilet Sets, of 9 pieces. Sold at... \$1.25

6 nickel-plated and Coffee Pots, sold regularly at 25c. Reduced to... 15c

Lot of Blue English China Dinner and Dining Sets of 10 pieces. A few pieces are slightly chipped from handling. Regular \$2.50 value. Friday, each, at... \$1.25

6 extra heavy Tin Wash Boilers, with 15-cupper bottom. Slightly shop-worn. Former prices, up to \$3.50. Friday, each, at... \$1.89

Granite Iron Drinking Cups, sold regularly at 10c each. Friday, each, at... 5c

Remnants of Ribbons

An extensive variety of ribbon remnants on sale tomorrow—the clean-up of a stock of ribbon.

All kinds and all widths. Qualities include plain Satin Taffeta, fancy Ribbons and plain sorts, in almost every shade you can call for.

1c yd—worth 5c.
4c yd—worth 10c.
7c yd—worth 15c.
10c yd—worth 20c.

Bedwear and Matting

Remnant lot of 114 white Blankets, with red and blue borders. Slightly mused. Regular price, \$2.50 a pair. Reduced to... \$1.48

Drapery Remnants, consisting of Silklines, Cretonnes, Denims, Curtain Swiss, etc., in useful lengths. Sold off the piece 7½c a yard. Remnant price, yard, at... 7½c

12 Bed Spreads, in heavy Marcelline patterns. Hemmed ready for use. Mused from handling. Regular \$2.00 value. Friday, each, at... \$1.09

8 odd rolls of Japanese linen warp Matting, in pretty damask patterns. Worth 25c a yard. Regular 40-yard rolls. Friday, each, at... \$6.98

4 Fel Matresses, covered with heavy art ticking. 2 are 6 in. and 2 are 4 ft. 6 in. Regular \$10.98 value. Friday, each, at... \$6.98

4 Tapestry Rugs, size 8x12 feet. Slightly mused. These are the genuine wire grade, in green, tan, and Deft blue. Regular \$11.75 value. Friday, each, at... \$11.75

Women's Wearables

15 fine quality Japanese Crepe Kimonos, in long and short styles. Fine and girlish designs, finished with satin borders. Broken sizes. Reduced from \$2.50 to... \$1.19

Small lot of American Lady and W. B. Corsets, of French couturier make, with garters attached. Sizes 20 and 21. Former prices up to \$2.50. Friday, each, at... 98c

Small lot of Corsets of couturier make, also Corset Waists in broken sizes. Oddments. Reduced from 80c to... 36c

15 fine quality black Mercerized Satens and Novelty Petticoats, with plaitings and ruffles. Reduced from \$2.99 to... \$1.49

Girls' Wearables

Girls' Worsteds, of plain cashmere, newly trimmed. Broken sizes. Reduced from \$2.00 to... 69c

12 children's Reefers and Long Coats, spring weight, plain and fancy check effects. Broken sizes. Sold up to \$2.50. Friday, each, at... 69c

Small lot of girls' fine quality white Persian Lawn and India Linen Dresses, trimmed with embroidery and lace. Soiled from handling. Sold up to \$1.98. Friday, each, at... \$1.98

12 children's Planchette Panamas and plain Coats. Sizes up to 4 years. Reduced from 25c to... 19c